the Striking Committee to prepare their report. At the expiration of the time Ald. Skinner presented the report, as follows:

No. 1 Committee—Ald. Birrell, Beattie, Skinner and Becher.

No. 2—Ald. Labatt, O'Meara, Stringer and Scarrow.

No 3—Ald. Hunt, Cowan, Hewitt and Dr Niven.

Court of Revision—Ald. Birrell, Beattie, Cowan, Skinner and Becher

Board of Health—Ald. Niven, Scarrow, Stringer, Cowan and Hewitt.

Taken up by committees. No. 1 passed and No 2 read.

Ald. Birrell moved and Ald. Cowan seconded, that Ald. Hewitt's name be substituted for that of Ald. Stringer on No. 2 Committee.

Ald Scarrow moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the arranging of No. 2 Committee be deferred till next meeting. Lost, and motion carried.

No. 3 was passed, Ald. Skinner's name being substituted for Ald. Hewitt.

Court of Revision passed.

On motion of Ald. Becher and Niven the names of Dr. Wilkinson, house surgeon, and T. H. Tracy, city engineer, were added to the Board of Health.

THE CHAIRMEN.

Council adjourned for ten minutes for the appointment of chairmen of committees. On returning the committees reported as follows: Number One—Unable to decide. Number Two—Ald. Hewitt (unanimous). Number Three—Ald. Hunt (re-elected).

Ald. Hunt and Cowan moved that Ald. Birrell be chairman of No 1.

Ald. Skinner and Scarrow—An amendment that Ald. Becher be chairman. Lost and motion carried.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The bylaw for the establishment of a free public library was read and Passed.

A DEPUTATION,

Consisting of Ald. Cowan and Skinner was appointed to attend the convention on assessment amendments, to be held in Toronto on the 29th.

Adjourned till next Monday.

The Committees.

The personnel of the three standing committees are as follows:

No. 1—Ald. Birrell, chairman; Beattie, Becher and Skinner.

No 2—Ald. Hewitt, chairman; O'Meara, Labatt and Scarrow.

No. 3—Ald. Hunt, chairman; Stringer, Cowan and Niven.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, January 28th 1884

The Council met last night. Present: Mayor Hyman (in the chair), Ald. Becher, Niven, Scarrow, Stringer, Hewitt, Cowan, Beattie, O'Mara, Hunt, Labatt and Birrell. Minutes of the previous meetings read and sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS.

James Smith—On behalf of Mystic Lodge No 2, Knights of Pythias, asking for the free use of City Hall for Feb. 2 for a calico ball.

Messrs. Macdonald & Ivey—Notifying the Council that they had been instructed to proceed by way of mandamus to compel the erection of Oxford street bridge, and that unless action was taken at an early date they must proceed. No. 2.

L. Danks, secretary Waterworks Board—Stating that owing to last year's heavy expenditure they could not pay over the monthly receipts to the Chamberlain No. 1.

Robert Heron & Samuel H. Steinhoff in re weigh scales, and Wm Pate—Asking to erect a shed at once, and brick it up when the weather permits. Action deferred.

Wm. Wyeth—Asking to have a child taken off his hands, which had been left with him by a Mrs. Patton; and also to allow him some remuneration for six weeks' board. No. 1.

Edward Le Ruey—Asking reduction of taxes on the amount of earnings of the Financial Association of Ontario No. 1.

Wm. Percy—For remission of income tax No 1.

Mrs. Packham, C. J. Anderson, Edmund Yealland, and Timothy Hanafin—For remission of taxes. No. 1.

Jas. O'Hagan and other firemen—For an increase of salary. No. 3.

W. W. Fitzgerald re Huron & Middlesex assessment, 1883. No. 1.

Wm Nell—asking $2 50 for services as janitor in St. George's School. No. 1.

REPORT OF NUMBER THREE COMMITTEE.

By Ald Hunt, chairman:

1. That the petition of Wm. Pate be not granted.

2. That Mr. Alex. McIntosh, weigh scales lessee, be given the refusal for 24 hours of a further lease for one year more at the same rental as paid for past year.

3. That the petition of Mrs. McHugh be not entertained.

4. That the account of Thos. Browne for work done on the steam fire engine, amounting to $35, be paid.

5. That the following accounts be paid; Fire Department paysheet for January, $323 37; City Gas Company, $2,019 31; Geo. T. Dodd, $27 09; total, $2,399 77.

6. That tenders be called for 25 cords green and 25 cords dry hard wood, to be delivered at the City Hospital during February.

7. That a galvanic battery and set of McIntyre's splints, also a Richardson's atomizer, be purchased for use in the City Hospital at a cost of $129.

8. That the Hospital Superintendent be authorized to engage three additional female nurses, the present number being insufficient for the calls made upon them by citizens.

9. That the Chairman be authorized to purchase 1,000 feet of hose for the Fire Department.

10. The committee ask for instructions respecting the lighting of the street lamps and municipal buildings, the present contract with the City Gas Company expiring about the end of March next.

The report was referred to a Committee of the Whole, Ald. Cowan taking the chair. First clause passed.

Clause 2 read. Moved in amendment that tenders be called for. Carried.

Clauses 3, 4, 5 passed. In connection with clauses 6 and 7 Mayor Hyman raised a point of order, that according to the bylaws the Council had no power to make appropriations without the sanction of the Finance Committee. Clause referred to No. 1.

Clause 8 passed, and clause 9 read.

Ald. Stringer moved in amendment that 500 feet of hose be purchased. Carried. The clause then passed.

The Mayor resumed the chair, Ald. Cowan reporting the amendments. Ald. Hunt called for the yeas and nays to the amendment to clause 9. Yeas—Birrell, Labatt, Hunt, Niven and Hewitt. Nays—O'Meara, Beattie, Cowan, Scarrow, Becher and Stringer. Report adopted as amended.

REPORT OF NUMBER TWO COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Hewitt, chairman.

1 and 2. That the following accounts be paid:

Pay sheet	$ 60 45

Accounts certified to by Chairman and Engineer of 1883, but not passed by the Council—

Brown & Co., pipe tile, etc.	$ 56 94
James Sussex	31 50
Ferguson Bros	2 3 60
Hugh Douglass	25 00
Marshall & Stevenson	4 08
John Purdom	556 10
Henry Colerick	25 00
Wm. Smith	400 00
Isaac Crouse	400 00
Wm. Cathro	150 00
Total	$1,850 11

3. We recommend that the Council call for tenders for a sewer on Queen's avenue, between Wellington and Waterloo streets, and charge a rental.

4. We recommend that 100 cords of stone be purchased from Wm. Anthistle, as per tender annexed.

5. As ordered by the Committee, the Chairman and City Engineer called upon Mr. Dawson, of the G. T. R., in regard to cleaning the snow from off the